

## Cookies

Toad baked some cookies.

"These cookies smell very good,"  
said Toad.

He ate one.

"And they taste even better," he said.  
Toad ran to Frog's house.

"Frog, Frog," cried Toad,  
"taste these cookies  
that I have made."

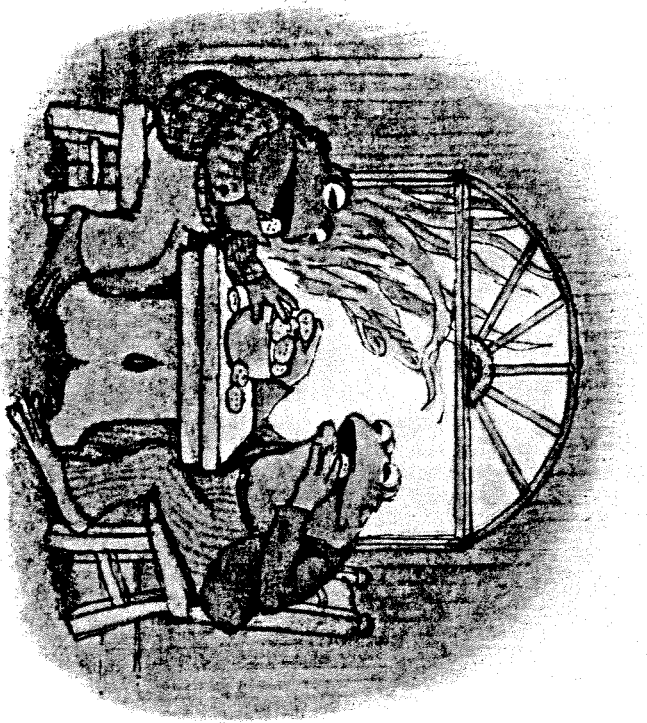


Frog ate one of the cookies.

"These are the best cookies  
I have ever eaten!" said Frog.

Frog and Toad ate many cookies,  
one after another.

“You know, Toad,” said Frog,  
with his mouth full,  
“I think we should stop eating.  
We will soon be sick.”



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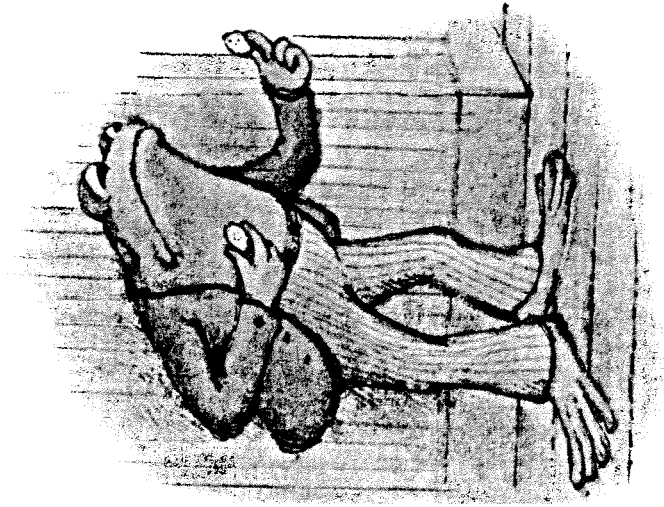
“You are right,” said Toad.  
“Let us eat one last cookie,  
and then we will stop.”

Frog and Toad ate  
one last cookie.

There were many cookies  
left in the bowl.

“Frog,” said Toad,  
“let us eat one very last cookie,  
and then we will stop.”  
Frog and Toad  
ate one very last cookie.

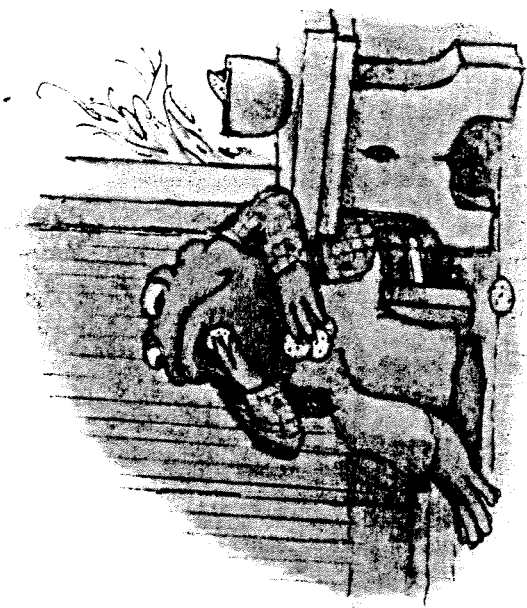
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"We must stop eating!" cried Toad as he ate another.

"Yes," said Frog, reaching for a cookie, "we need will power."

"What is will power?" asked Toad.



"Will power is trying hard *not* to do something that you really want to do," said Frog.

"You mean like trying *not* to eat all these cookies?" asked Toad.

"Right," said Frog.



Frog put the cookies in a box.

"There," he said.

"Now we will not eat  
any more cookies."

"But we can open the box,"  
said Toad.

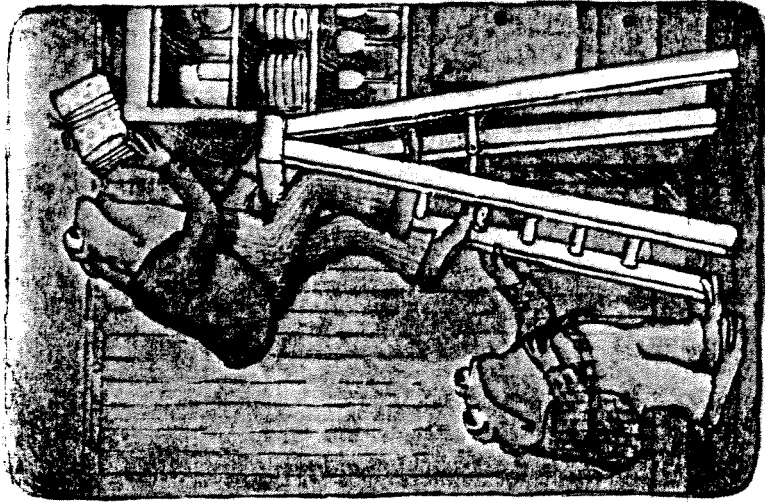
"That is true," said Frog.

Frog tied some string  
around the box.  
"There," he said.  
"Now we will not eat  
any more cookies."

"But we can cut the string  
and open the box," said Toad.

"That is true," said Frog.





Frog got a ladder.  
He put the box up on a high shelf.  
“There,” said Frog.  
“Now we will not eat  
any more cookies.”

“But we can climb the ladder  
and take the box  
down from the shelf  
and cut the string  
and open the box,”  
said Toad.

“That is true,” said Frog.  
Frog climbed the ladder  
and took the box  
down from the shelf.  
He cut the string  
and opened the box.

Frog took the box outside.

He shouted in a loud voice,

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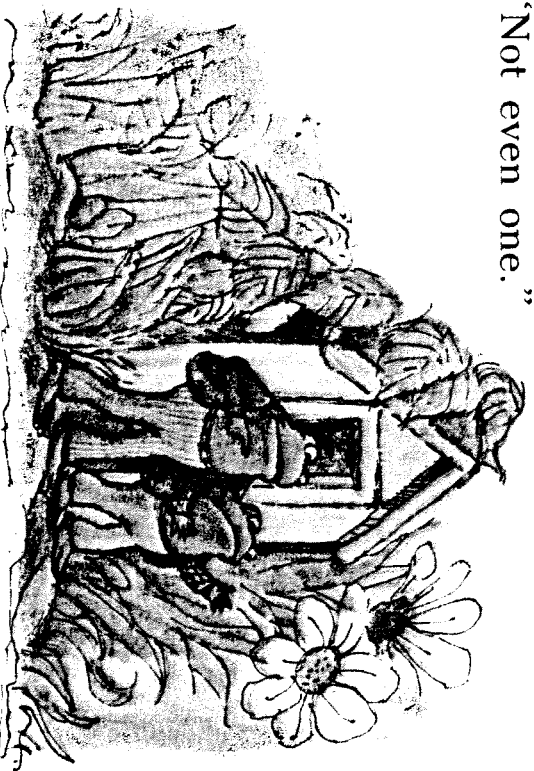
HERE ARE COOKIES!"

Birds came from everywhere.

They picked up all the cookies  
in their beaks and flew away.

"Now we have no more cookies to eat,"  
said Toad sadly.

"Not even one."



"Yes," said Frog,  
"but we have lots and lots  
of will power."

"You may keep it all, Frog,"  
said Toad.

"I am going home now  
to bake a cake."

